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In June, 1977, Howard J. Navins retired after 41 years on the Governor Dummer faculty. To mark the occasion, Buster Navins was selected by the Senior Class to be the featured speaker at Commencement. He was presented with a book containing memories of Buster written by members of every Governor Dummer class which attended the Academy during his tenure. The faculty gave Buster and Fran a purse to enable them to take a well-deserved trip together. A group of alumni headed by John Tarbell '62 revealed that they have commissioned an oil portrait of Buster. And it was announced that the GDA baseball field has been named Navins Field in Buster's honor.

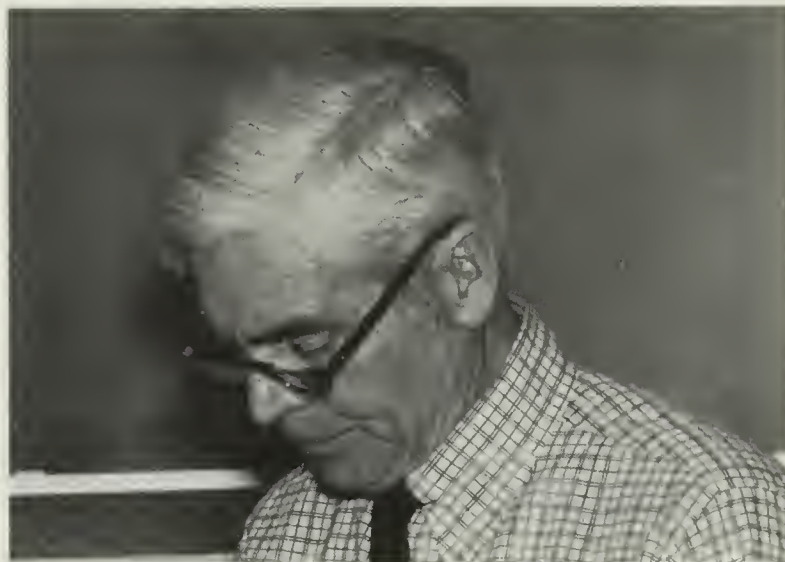
There are two problems inherent in writing about a man whose tenure spans four decades: the first difficulty lies in attempting to capsuleize that much career, and the second problem is finding someone who has been around long enough to do it.

Three colleagues who have known Buster since he first started at Governor Dummer have agreed to write about three areas in which they knew him well: Ben Stone talks about Buster in the classroom, Mac Murphy discusses Buster as coach, and Art Sager writes about the dormitory years.

Together, these articles help to characterize the career of the last member of the Old Guard in this, his 41st year at Governor Dummer.

Mr. Navins as a Teacher

by Benjamin J. Stone



Since his retirement in 1975, Mr. Stone has become an active member of the Newburyport Historical Society. He continues to keep in close touch with the Academy, and is still a familiar face on campus.

Generations of G.D.A. students remember Howard Julius Navins as the "Old Roman" — the inimitable Latin teacher who knew how to make a "dead" language become very much alive. But few will remember that he began his 41-year career at the Academy as a biology teacher. In fact, he taught biology from 1936 to 1940, overlapping this with German from 1937 to 1943.

Buster's first Latin class was in 1938-39. Then within a few years the country found itself at war. A number of teachers were called to military service, and teaching assignments underwent drastic reorganization. German was dropped from the curriculum as "un-American" (these were the days when "Liberty Steak" supplanted the too-Germanic "Hamburg" in our markets and restaurants!). Latin was deemed non-essential to the war effort. Emphasis was to be placed on mathematics and science, and much to everyone's surprise — especially to Buster's — Mr. Navins emerged as a math teacher for the next three years. I think I spent more time tutoring Buster in the mysteries of plane geometry in those days than I did tutoring my own pupils. But never mind; we won the war, the world was again "safe for democracy," the lowly Hamburg resumed its rightful place in American life, and Buster returned to "hic, haec, hoc" and Julius Caesar (whose first name, some students thought, was Howard).

Although he taught Latin right up to his retirement in 1977, Mr. Navins undertook in 1969 to disprove the adage about old dogs and new tricks. At that time he took over the speech classes from Mr. Sager, and for the past eight years he has been training seniors in this all-important area. Many will maintain that this was their most valuable Governor Dummer course.

Recalling that Mr. Navins was a German major at Williams and that he subsequently earned an M.A. in German at Columbia, I was puzzled about his background in Latin. In an unaccustomed demonstration of unfair play, I recently looked up his G.D.A. record in the school office, and I found a clue. During his one year (1930-31) as an Academy student, Buster took and passed Mr. Jacob's Latin 4 course. Bill Jacob held his students up to the most rigorous and exacting standards, and if they passed, they knew their Latin forwards and backwards. I expect that Buster's famous "all-or-nothing" vocabulary quizzes — the terror and frustration of hundreds of students — can be attributed to his experiences under Mr. Jacob. But along with his respect for hard work and high standards, Buster developed a teaching style that was uniquely his own. I know some of the ingredients of that style: an informal class atmosphere with plenty of fast chatter, the use of colorful and original nicknames for his students, plenty of humor, a fast-moving pace that kept students alert. But the style still defies description. One story, however, may give some idea of its effectiveness:

In my work as Director of Studies, I occasionally had to deal with freshmen who were overwhelmed by their studies and who were faced with academic disaster. One standard remedy was to lighten the load by dropping a course. On one such occasion I said to a distressed lad, "Joe, I want to help you to pull out of this situation, and I think the thing to do is to drop Latin. It's not really essential for graduation, and you are failing it pretty badly. This would give you more time for your other courses. What do you say?" I expected to see a glimmer of relief cross Joe's face, but instead he seemed on the verge of tears. "Can't we drop something else, sir? That's the best class I have!"

I think Joe really meant "the best teacher."



Class picture from the 1931 Milestone.

Buster Navins - Coach

by A. MacDonald Murphy



Still as involved in retirement as he was while teaching, Mr. Murphy now devotes much time to ornithology, golf, skating and other outdoor pursuits. A resident of Newburyport, he still finds time to take part in campus events and actively support the athletic teams.

Coaches seem to fall into two general categories. First, there are the superior strategists and tacticians, masters of the technical aspects of their sport, analysts of the strengths and weaknesses of their own players and of opposing teams. Then there are coaches who have the rare ability to inspire both individuals and teams to perform to the very top of their bents — and even to find resources and talents which they did not dream they possessed.

To a rare degree Buster combined these two types in his own person. He was an astute and thoughtful student of every sport he coached. Because he worked tirelessly to polish the technique of every single player on his squads and to combine the individuals into a smoothly functioning and intelligent unit, his players, in turn, responded by working enthusiastically to improve their performance, not for personal acclaim, but for their team and their coach. Indeed, Buster was little short of a genius in his ability to find just the right position for a boy to play — often a position which the boy had not considered, but one in which his potential would have its fullest expression. No matter what sport he was coaching, each boy on the squad was acutely aware of Buster's deep personal interest in him as an individual full of potential.

His friends, a universal category which includes the coaches from other schools, have long debated as to which sport revealed his coaching talent most plainly. It is true that both in secondary school (notably at Governor Dummer) and at Williams he was a stellar performer in basketball and baseball. Yet he introduced soccer to Governor Dummer at a time when few secondary



schools played the game: and later he, along with Warren Kohler of Milton and Jim Gowing of Tabor, was responsible for the formation of the Gummere League. His teams were constantly in hot contention for the League championship, and his players went out as enthusiastic missionaries to support the game in colleges throughout the East. So Buster played no small part in developing the current popularity of soccer as a fall sport.

His success as a basketball coach and as a baseball coach was no less striking. Just as in soccer, even much larger schools always had to take Buster's teams with the utmost seriousness. Because he was a great teacher in athletics as well as in the classroom, his players were so well instructed in fundamentals that they were hardly likely to beat themselves through lapses in judgment, especially since Buster regarded sports as an opportunity for a boy to display quick, accurate thinking as well as physical prowess. Again his uncanny ability to find the right position for the right boy and to inspire each player to find hidden resources within himself produced a long succession of memorable teams. There are simply too many great teams and great individual players to mention specific ones without doing injustice to countless others.

In the final analysis, however, it was not his technical expertise nor his great skill in adapting the skills of his players which brought Buster his great distinction as a coach. It was not even the admiration, respect, and affection of his colleagues and of the coaches at other schools — all of which he had to an unusual degree. In reviewing Buster's long coaching career, one thinks instinctively of his rare talent for bringing out the very best in every boy who played for him. He gave his boys his wholehearted interest and support, his deep affection, an exacting set of standards for personal performance and conduct, his never-failing humor — and a supply of long lasting nicknames. In return he won a deep and permanent place in the hearts of all his old boys.



Buster Navins and Ted Eames coached together in 1940.



In honor of Buster's retirement, the baseball diamond has been named Navins Field.

The Dormitory Years

by Arthur W. Sager



After he left Governor Dummer in 1969, Mr. Sager became involved full time with his speech course now taught throughout the United States and Europe. As President of Arthur Sager Associates, he will be joined in business this summer by Buster who will become a full time instructor of speech upon his retirement from the Academy.

In September of 1937 a new member of the faculty at Governor Dummer, Buster Navins, arrived for his first experience in a boys' boarding school. At that time I was residing in Commons I and Buster had the responsibility of the boys in Commons II. Whenever it was necessary for me to be out of the dormitory, it was Buster's duty to take over my corridor. This was no small task, since I had one of the most colorful groups of seniors that I had ever had at Governor Dummer. Some of you will remember the names of Art Ross, Joe Hoague, Dick Curtis, Charlie Fellows and others equally interesting. These were very mature seniors; Hoague and Ross, well over 6', weighing 190 pounds, were pretty much the leaders of this group. The first time it was necessary for me to be away, Buster was terrified. He knew the group, and he himself had a height of 5'7" and weighed a full 155 pounds. When he arrived on Commons I to assume his duties, he was informed by the leaders of Commons I that if he behaved himself, they would give him no trouble! It was obvious that he had made the grade under real fire and by the end of the year was received, not only with real affection, but with great respect.

Buster also had some interesting characters of his own on Commons II. One of these characters was always

giving him weird tales and stories, which after several weeks were taken with a grain of salt.

One evening, while he was sitting peacefully in his study, this character came into his room and said, "Sir, Parsons Schoolhouse is on fire," and again it was thought to be another one of his brainstorms. Buster said, "Let it burn!" A few minutes later the whole corridor rushed in and informed him that Parsons Schoolhouse was all ablaze.

This led to another interesting experience for Buster, as it was always the accepted thing to do whatever Ted Eames asked of us. Ted Eames was away the early part of the evening and when he returned he saw the tremendous blaze from Parsons, and in his quiet way went into his office and called Buster. This fire took place in January, in sub-freezing temperature. The Byfield Fire Department had the support of Georgetown and Newburyport. Hoses were shooting all over the building and when the Georgetown boys, on one side of the schoolhouse, pointed their hoses over the building, knowing the Byfield boys were on the other side, more water was poured on these two contingents than on the fire. The water was freezing on their mustaches, their hats and literally they were drenched with ice. In the meantime, the headmaster had called Buster over to his office and said that we ought to do something for those firemen



Mr. Navins during his first year on the GDA faculty.



The 214th graduating class was addressed by Buster in his 41st year of service to the Academy. Commencement Exercises were held in Alumni Gymnasium due to rain.

and suggested that Buster go down to the Phillips Building and see that two large cans of water were provided for the firemen. Buster did not dare to argue and followed directions. He appeared with two large cans of water for these tough firemen and they looked at him as if he was out of his mind, when one of them said, "Hell, we have water all over this place, sixteen hoses going, we don't need water, give us something hot! Three-quarters of an hour later, Buster returned with a more appropriate beverage — hot coffee. It was obvious from this experience that Buster was one to follow instructions carefully without question.

Buster and I worked together in the dormitory for a period of ten years and it was one of the most gratifying associations of my career at Governor Dummer. It was obvious that Buster was not only to make the grade, but to become one of the most valuable men on the faculty. One of the greatest events in Buster's life was when he married Frances Russ. Not only has she been a marvelous wife and mother, but perhaps even more important, she knows how to put a light bulb into a fixture, hang pictures on walls and drive a car safely!

It has now been forty years since the day Buster arrived on campus as a member of the faculty, and it is with pride I can say that our mutual respect and admiration for each other is an association that I shall always cherish.

One of the pleasures of my position over the years has been the opportunity to work with the alumni. You have always responded graciously to any request I have made, and you recently have most thoughtfully noted my retirement. To all I would like to extend my warmest appreciation and thanks.

Buster Navins

REUNION DAY



One of seven anniversary classes to return for Reunion Day was the Class of '72, which paused long enough to pose for this picture.

On May 14, Reunion Day brought an estimated 150 alumni, wives and friends back to see the Academy and the day's events. Specially highlighted were the classes of '37, '42, '47, '52, '57, '62, '67, and '72 which attended a cocktail party at the Mansion House followed by dinner in the dining hall. Returnees included alumni from Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Illinois, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maine, Vermont, New Jersey, Washington, D.C., Virginia, Michigan, Florida and California.

A full schedule of athletic events and a symposium on education sponsored by the class of '47 filled the afternoon. The symposium was organized by Class Chairman Henry Dunker and featured several classmates who aired their views on the meaning of education. The speakers were Dan Hall, a teacher at Lynnfield High School; Joe Welch, trustee of the Academy; Dana Mayo, Chairman of the Chemistry Department at Bowdoin College; and Henry Dunker, who acted as moderator. The crowd heard an exchange of views representing public schools, private schools, and college. Questions were entertained at the conclusion of the remarks and discussion would have continued were it not for the cocktail party which began at 5:00.

The day's program ended following the dinner, but some classes regrouped elsewhere. Those from '47 assembled at the home of Peter Sutton in Boxford; the Class of '72 adjourned to nearby Amesbury to a bachelor party given in honor of Class Chairman Brian Lenane who was married in June. On Sunday, the Class of '47 held a brunch at Ten Center Street, a restaurant in Newburyport. The Class invited Mr. and Mrs. Ragle and

members of the Old Guard to the function which featured entertainment. The previous evening, trustee Peter Remis gave a dinner party at his home in Swampscott for classmates from the Class of 1952.

As more people become involved in the preparation and execution of their anniversary celebrations perhaps more of these independently scheduled events will combine with those that the Academy sponsors so as to attract more and more alumni back to campus. We welcome the trend!



Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Dunning were among the guests at the brunch sponsored by the Class of '47. Fran Navins (standing at right) and Buster also attended. Henry Dunker '47 and Jack Deering '47 can be seen in the background.



Among the many alums returning for Reunion Day were members of the Class of '52 who celebrated their 25th Anniversary.

FIELD HOCKEY GOES INTERNATIONAL



Members of the field hockey team which toured Bermuda included (L to R) Betsy Saunders '77, Stori Stockwell '79, Felicia Lynch '79, Kate Wise '77, Pam Webb '79, Jeannie Walz '77, Alice Moseley '79, Evelyn Saliba '77, Sue Baker '77, and Ginny Sutton '77.

Cheers of "Let's go Big Red" could be heard from Canadian, American, English and Bermudian spectators who gathered each game to watch the girls from Byfield test their skills against four field hockey teams from Bermuda over the spring vacation.

During the week of March 4-11, 15 girls, accompanied by coach Mrs. William Baker and Mrs. Morton Soule, journeyed to Hamilton, Bermuda to try their hand in some friendly games against Prospect Girls Secondary School, Whitney Institute, Warwick Academy and Sandy's Girl's Secondary. The schedule ended with three wins and one tie — a commendable performance considering no one had played field hockey since fall.

In addition to hockey, the trip offered a wide variety of experiences which included a trip to St. George's and the coves, motor biking, ferrying about the harbor, a chance to see the finals of an international men's and women's field hockey tournament, enjoying classical music by the Esso Steel Band and even a good old-fashioned lacrosse practice on Horsheshoe Bay Beach.

The opportunity for international field hockey play was no doubt valuable, but also important was the chance to meet other teams from schools like Westminster, Middlesex, Avon Old Farms, and Lehigh University. Impressive also was the warmth with which the team was

greeted everywhere it went, and the crowds that gathered at all the games to cheer for GDA were a welcome sight.

The traditional post-game ceremony of exchanging GDA banners for school patches and flags was symbolic of the success of the trip. Everywhere the team went, friends were made and names and addresses exchanged. For Governor Dummer it was a tribute to the pleasant outgoing personalities and gracious manners of a great group of students.

ROMAN HOLIDAY

Another group of students took advantage of spring vacation to expand their horizons. Under the auspices of the Latin Department, nine students journeyed to Italy in a trip organized and chaperoned by faculty member Morton G. Soule.

The tour included visits to Milan, Verona, Venice, Florence, Assisi, and Rome. One of the main objectives was a greater understanding of and appreciation for Italy's culture, customs, and heritage, and the participants all agreed that this was achieved.

Mr. Soule observed that the most pleasant part of the trip was the courteous and well-bred conduct of the nine Governor Dummer students. Their appreciation and enthusiasm for the Arts was sincere and profound, and they reinforced the belief that their generation will be dedicated to old principles and goals which substantiate their worth.



Those who participated in the trip to Rome over spring vacation were: (L to R) Meredith Miller '78, Kathy Coffin '79, Martha Blake '79, Patti Milligan '78, Tom Matthews '78, Bill Bartlett '80, Dave Ham '77 and Paul LeMaitre '80.

BLACK COMEDY ENDS DRAMA CLUB YEAR



A blown fuse gives Brindsley (Robin Woolfson '77) a chance to return borrowed furniture under the cover of darkness before his neighbor discovers it missing. Caroline Heffron '78 (right) plays his fiancée, Carol Melkett in Black Comedy.

The Drama Club has become one of the most popular activities at Governor Dummer. This past year the group produced three major plays, beginning with Thornton Wilder's *Our Town* which was performed in an intimate three-quarter round setting.

During the winter, when spirits are at a low ebb, the Drama Club usually does a musical to liven things up, and this year's production of *Dames At Sea* was no exception. This 1940's song-and-dance comedy about a show being staged on a battleship was well received by the GDA community, and presented by a large and enthusiastic cast.

This winter, in a departure from the past, drama was made an afternoon activity, with the chorus and minor actors working a couple of days a week on building the sets, arranging the lighting, and familiarizing themselves with the technical equipment and its uses. Because much of the learning here at school is concerned with the understanding and absorbing of information and ideas, the Drama Club offers a student the chance to learn effective communication and expression by doing. Similarly,

the student learns to find and effect workable solutions to technical difficulties, the culmination of this learning-by-doing program being the spring play.

This year, senior Stephen Sapuppo produced *Black Comedy* as a spring term project. The play is an English drawing room comedy that satirizes the mores of the upper class. The central character, Brindsley, was played by English exchange student Robin Woolfson, who will attend Cambridge University this fall. Also featured were Steve Sapuppo '77, Caroline Heffron '78, Bill Drislane '78, Mike MacAleenan '77, Mary Mackay-Smith '78, and Tracie Ackerman '77, with the result being a delightful stew of laughter and deception.

The Drama Club members thank Ms. Janis Franklin, who is departing this year, for the life and meaning she has given to them as actors, students, and people. Next fall the show will go on with Ms. Debora Craig directing; from Bowdoin she brings ten years of interest and participation in theater.

Places everyone! One minute till curtain! Let's go!!!

JAZZ EVENING DRAWS A LARGE CROWD

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Former faculty member Steve Blair '62, played bass for the Dave Whitney Jazz Band. Steve is now a stock broker with Hornblower & Weeks — Hemphill, Noyes.

The Governor Dummer Allies sponsored its Second Annual Dixieland Evening at Alumni Gymnasium on March 5. Billed as an "evening of listening and dancing in a New Orleans cabaret atmosphere," the occasion featured Dave Whitney's Jazz Combo, favorite of Boston's "Scotch and Sirloin" and Hopkinton's traditional summer jazz nightspot, "The Stickey Wicket." Whitney is also the lead trumpet player with New England's "Yankee Rhythm Kings."

A cashbar provided drinks and snack trays while the combo, which included former faculty member Steve Blair, played all evening.

320 people were in attendance for the event which will help benefit special projects of the Academy and the Scholarship Fund. The committee consisted of Allies Co-Presidents Mrs. Paul Cavanaugh of Newbury and Mrs. Hugh Cawley of West Newbury and Mrs. Thomas Tindall of GDA who acted as hostesses for the evening. Assisting them were Mrs. James Adams, Mrs. Morton Soule, Mrs. David Fyrberg, Mrs. Douglas Miller and Mrs. Thomas Tindall of Governor Dummer; Mrs. Robert Lovejoy and Mrs. Pemberton Minster of West Newbury; Mrs. Scott Lothrop of Georgetown, and Mrs. James Beattie and Mrs. Michele Sapuppo of Andover.

LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIP HIGHLIGHTS SPRING SEASON



This year's lacrosse team won the Northern Division Lacrosse Championship with a sparkling 12-3 record.

Springtime brought more than a welcome relief from our severest winter in many years — it heralded the most successful sports record in recent memory.

Heb Evans, Bob Anderson and a talented group of lacrosse players once again proved that solid skills and teamwork win games as the 12-3 season and Northern Lacrosse Division Championship serve to testify. Senior David Phippen was named High School All American for his performance in the cage this season, and, along with co-captain Joe Pietrafesa, played with the team representing schools from eastern New England in their annual match against the west. Congratulations also go to Dave Phippen, Ike Suggs '78, Joe Pietrafesa '77, Bo Bowditch '78 and Tad Higgins '78 for being named to the All-Divisional Team chosen following the regular season.

The Women's Varsity Lacrosse Team ended its season with 3 wins and 5 losses losing two close games to Andover and Buckingham, Browne & Nichols. High scorers for the team were co-captains Sarah Barry '77, daughter of Laurence Barry '48, and Ginny Sutton '77, daughter of Peter Sutton '47 and granddaughter of Art Sager. Sarah received the Ann Marie Murphy Prize for "achievement in athletics" and Betsy Saunders '77 of Byfield was voted the most valuable player.

The Men's Track Team finished its season with a 10-2 record losing to only Masconomet High School and Thayer Academy. Top performers were seniors Bob Kruger '77, who broke the school's two mile record, and Mike MacAleenan, winner of the Academy Prize and MVP for the spring.

The Women's Track Team had a small squad and problems with depth made competition difficult with larger schools such as Andover, Exeter, and St. Paul's, but credit for some notable performances goes to Hilary Laraba who excelled in the long jump and sprints. Johanna Stephan, also a sprinter, will captain the team next year as a junior.

The Varsity Tennis Team enjoyed its best season since 1960 and, perhaps, for all time with a 12-1 record. The single loss came at the hands of a very capable Belmont Hill team, but wins against traditionally powerful schools such as Nobles, Groton, Milton and St. Paul's made the season the most memorable in history. Andy Sterge '77 served as captain for the team and won the MVP award for his performance playing first singles.

With only three seniors, the success of the Baseball Team was mixed (5-10) but the season was not without creditable performances by pitcher and MVP Tom Knudsen '77, Todd Dagres '78, Kurt Metzger '78, Ken Bloom '78, Doug Stone '77, and Steve Perry '79.

The Golf Team split their season with four wins and as many losses, beating Triton Regional High School, Worcester Academy, Noble and Greenough and Middlesex. Strong teams from Tabor, Belmont Hill and Lawrence made life difficult for the Governors, and a close loss to Rivers Country Day barely robbed the team of a winning record.

CORRECTION

The last issue of the *Archon* incorrectly stated that the new Governor Dummer necktie was designed by the G.S. Harvale Company. The tie was in fact manufactured by Harvale.

The design for this handsome neckpiece was created by Mr. Charles M. Freeman of Newburyport. Mr. Freeman, whose wife Irene is secretary to Headmaster John W. Ragle, has frequently provided design services for the Academy.

The tie has proved extremely popular, and may still be purchased by mail through the Governor Dummer Bookstore at \$10.00 each postpaid.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Date School GDA OPP

MEN'S VARSITY LACROSSE

May 16	Northfield-Mt. Hermon	7	0
April 18	MIT Fr/JV	9	1
April 20	River C.D. School	14	4
April 23	Holderness	4	2
April 27	Exeter	5	0
April 30	St. Mark's	6	4
May 4	BB&N	8	4
May 6	Winchester H. S.	5	7
May 11	Lawrence	4	5
May 14	Pinkerton	4	3
May 18	Andover	6	5
May 21	St. Paul's	17	2
May 25	Noble & Greenough	8	2
May 28	Tabor	3	7
June 2	Alumni	11	6

FINAL RECORD 12 - 3

J.V. LACROSSE FINAL RECORD 7 - 1 - 0

3RD LACROSSE FINAL RECORD 5 - 0 - 0

Varsity Baseball

April 16	Thayer	1	7
April 20	Groton	4	0
May 2	Roxbury Latin	6	4
April 27	BB&N	0	5
April 30	Noble & Greenough	7	2
May 4	Brooks	0	1
May 7	Tabor	8	20
May 11	St. Mark's	3	7
May 14	Rivers	6	9
May 14	Belmont Hill	1	10
May 18	St. Sebastian's	10	1
May 21	Milton	0	8
May 25	Middlesex	6	17
May 28	St. Paul's	4	16
June 2	Alumni	9	0

FINAL RECORD 5 - 10

J.V. BASEBALL FINAL RECORD 4 - 4 - 0

3RD BASEBALL FINAL RECORD 3 - 3 - 0

Varsity Golf

April 13	Triton Regional H.S.	4	2
April 20	Worcester Academy	5	2
April 27	Noble & Greenough	4	3
April 30	Tabor	2	6
May 4	Rivers C.D. School	2.5	4.5
May 6	Middlesex	4	3
May 14	Belmont Hill	0	7
May 18	Lawrence	1	6

FINAL RECORD 4 - 4 - 0

Varsity Tennis

April 9	St George's	10	8
April 13	MIT Fr/JV	5	4
April 16	Noble & Greenough	11	7
April 20	St. Sebastian's	14	4
April 23	Middlesex	14	4
April 27	Lawrence	12	6
April 30	Groton	12	6
May 7	BB&N	15	3
May 11	Rivers C.D. School	13	5
May 14	St. Mark's	10	8
May 18	St. Paul's	cancelled	
May 21	Milton	12	6
May 25	Brooks	11	7
May 28	Belmont Hill	5	13

FINAL RECORD 12 - 1 - 0

J.V. TENNIS FINAL RECORD 2 - 7

MEN'S Varsity Track

April 13	Triton Regional H.S.	62.5	58
April 13	Winnacunnet H.S.	62.5	60
April 20	Masconomet H.S.	63	71
April 20	Timberlane H.S.	63	49
Exeter Relays 2nd of 9 teams			
April 30	Thayer	55	90
May 4	Cushing	85	55
May 7	Belmont Hill	72	68
May 14	Milton	94	47
May 14	BB&N	94	32
May 18	St. Sebastians	128	12
May 21	St. Paul's	74	33
May 21	Kimball Union	74	61

FINAL RECORD 10 - 2 - 0

WOMEN'S TRACK FINAL RECORD 1 - 3 - 0

WOMEN'S Varsity Lacrosse

April 16	St. George's	4	6
April 20	BB&N	8	9
April 27	Pingree	6	18
April 30	Thayer	7	3
May 11	Andover	7	8
May 18	Exeter	8	1
May 21	St. Paul's	3	11
May 25	Lawrence	8	6

FINAL RECORD 3 - 5 - 0

JV WOMEN'S LACROSSE FINAL RECORD 2 - 5 - 1

3RD WOMEN'S LACROSSE FINAL RECORD 2 - 4 - 0

CLASS NOTES

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Gerald May writes that he is still practicing law in Boston. Of his four boys and four girls, seven have finished their undergraduate work at college: two are attending graduate school, and one (the youngest) is just completing his freshman year at C.W. Post Center, Long Island University. He concludes: "Perhaps this time in the year 1980, I will be able to retire!"

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After nearly 31 years, Roger W. Page retired from Mercury Marine on January 1, 1976 after 16 years of service as Vice President and Plant Manager.

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Jim Adams is now fully retired and operating a small taxi service for senior citizens and the elderly. He sends his best to all.

'37

Verges Van Wickle writes that on the 18th of June he was married to Carolyn Gwaltney in Hot Springs Village, Hot Springs, Arkansas. Classmate Putnam Flint was in attendance. Around the middle of July, Verges will move from Mount Dora, Florida to make a new home in Hot Springs Village. He concludes that a business trip in the fall will bring him up to Byfield when he will try and see old friends in the area.

Bob Cox has been retired for the last 8 years because of illness. He enjoys seeing his seven children, and keeping in touch with the Academy.

Still doing social work for the Commonwealth, Walter Dunlap proudly writes that he is now a "first time grandparent." Jeffrey Walter Stevens was born on April 6, 1977 in Waterville, Maine.

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"Going to Wimbledon this June to see how the other half lives," writes John Klotz who continues to play tennis in the winter and trout fish in the spring and summer in Pennsylvania. "Still working to keep paying bills and college tuition costs. Hope Navins dropped a bundle betting on the Celtics vs. the Sixers."

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John Gardner writes that he is Assistant to the President at Northern Illinois University following stints of teaching American Literature and serving as Assistant Dean of the College at Brown (1956-66). He received his Ph.D from Penn. in 1961 and then from 1966-68 was the Special Assistant to the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Throat cancer prevented his return to Reunion Day, but he sends his best to all classmates.

President of Coatings Engineering Corporation since 1956 is James Knott who summers with his wife Betty, daughter Janet, and sons Andrew, James, Jr., and Jeffrey in Gloucester. Janet is a photo technician and free-lance photographer at the Boston Globe, Andrew and James are in their junior and sophomore years at Boston University, and Jeffrey is a sophomore at Wellesley High School. Betty is active in Republican affairs in Wellesley and is the current Chairman of the Town Committee.

Henry Saunders writes that he enjoyed "the well-planned and meaningful reunion. To see all the changes and familiar faces was great!"

'48

Word comes from Ashley Eames that he and his wife, Sally, are

working full time for the Correctional Change Group, Inc., a prisoners rights organization run by prison-related people. The current project is to stop the opening of four additional prisons in Massachusetts.

'49

As of March, Bill Collins has become Vice-President of Judson Realty, Inc. in New York City specializing in commercial leasing and sales. Both Bill and company president Bill Judson graduated together.

'50

Last year Clif George completed a 97 day, 1,038 mile ocean voyage by canoe. The trip covered the entire coast of Maine from Kittery to Eastport and despite seas occasionally as high as ten feet, the 17 foot aluminum canoe completed the trip on September 5 after having started the journey May 20, 1976.

'52

Dr. Steve Shohet will be taking a year's sabbatical from the Directorship of the Cancer Research Institute at the University of California, San Francisco in order to extend his red cell membrane research in the laboratories of John Singer in San Diego and Marcel Bessis in Paris.

A headmaster and member of several educational boards, James Lewis writes that he has two sons in prep school and a daughter enrolled at Bucknell for the fall, and plans to take a trip to Europe this summer with a group of students and faculty.

'53

Ted Bailey has been running his own software business, Bailey Computer Systems, since 1972 following a career with the Bailey Company and the Bailey Division of USM.

'54

Gerry Vaughan is now Director of Operational Aerial Refueling for the Military Aircraft Command, Headquartered at MAC, Scott AFB, IL. He and his wife, Sandy, and his three boys are taking a 30 day trip west in July.

'55

David Stockwell is now teaching mathematics and coaching lacrosse at Longmeadow High School in Longmeadow, Mass. Since becoming head coach, his teams have compiled a 31-3 record including two straight High School State Championships.

Orrin Colley informs the *Archon* that he has recently purchased and become president of C.H. Marsh Insurance Agency, Marshfield, Mass.

While driving to Gloucester to pick up 40,000 pounds of fish for the mid-west, **Paul O'Brien** stopped by GDA to see Buster Navins. Paul is now owner of a couple of restaurants and a small trucking company in Louisville and has been by the school several times during his travels. Know anyone else who hauls 1,000,000 pounds of cheese a year?

'56

Stanley Rhodes is currently on sabbatical and taking courses at Fairfield University hoping to earn a certificate of advanced study in Education Administration by June.

"I have been officiating college football for 10 years," writes **Vincent Sgarzi**," and I am presently in Division I of the ECAC officiating major college games throughout the East."

'57

Walter Herrick is a Deputy Public Defender in San Francisco.

The Navy has moved **David**

Macomber from his job as Equal Opportunity/Race Relations Officer for the Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet to San Clemente Island where he is the Officer in charge of the Naval Auxiliary Landing Fleet. David still maintains his residence in Coronada and flies out to the island each Monday and returns on Friday. Spare time includes jogging (4-10 miles per day), playing tennis, and bike riding. "At 132 pounds" he concludes, "I'm about fifteen pounds lighter than I was when I graduated."

Although unable to attend Reunion Day, **Fred Estey** sends his regards from Woodland, California where he continues to practice law.

After 10 years in advertising as National Ad Manager for L.B. Nelson Corp. and as Western Regional Ad Manager for Boise Cascade Realty Group, **Mike Dunsford** now manages the Stamford Alpine Chalet Alpine Meadows, Lake Tahoe, California. The ski lodge and tennis camp is owned by Stanford University and is the home for Mike, his wife, their two children Laura 14, and Mike J. 7, both of whom are Alpine racers. A possible class reunion in Lake Tahoe may be planned for the fall of '77.

Kenneth Weene is a clinical psychologist on Long Island working with the Council of Churches there. Ken's wife is involved with horses and horse shows, and both look forward to the 20th reunion next year.

'58

Wayne Hockmeyer is owner and operator of Northern Whitewater Expeditions in Rockwood, Maine, running whitewater rafting trips from Moosehead Lake down the Kennebec and Penobscot Rivers.

'59

Having just completed his 11th year at Avon Old Farms School as a resident faculty member, **Courtney Bird** continues to teach economics, run the student work program, manage the ice rink, coach 3rd level hockey, and run the intramural hockey program. In addition to these duties, he will teach European History and a law course next year.

Steve Hesse writes, "In May I moved with my wife Jerry and children Steve Jr., 12, and Katie, 10, to assume the position of Vice President of Burns Bros. Mfg. Co., Syracuse, and General Mgr. responsible for the wholesale distribution business of the Burns Bros. & John Weekes & Sons, Watertown, NY."

'60

In the October 1976 issue of *Tennis*, an article appeared entitled *What Happens When Famous Athletes Try Tennis?* In the first part of the article, **Rick Barry** talks about his first exposure to tennis while in college at the University of Miami. "One year I won a doubles tournament with a kid who was 6 feet 10 inches — we were billed as the world's tallest doubles team." Rick's partner? **Greg Meyer** who has a son Frank (8) and a daughter Tamara (4) and is currently secretary-treasurer of Meyer Furnace Co., working mainly in the Commercial-Industrial Construction Division.

Walcott Hamilton is still living in Rockport, Mass. and flying as a Second Officer for Eastern Airlines out of Logan Airport.

Neil Morgan informs the *Archon* that he and his wife, Barbara, own and operate Professional Personnel of Albany, Georgia. As members of National Personnel Assoc., they are heavily involved with nationwide recruiting for major employers in the Southeast.

'61

Best wishes go to Messrs. Evans, Navins, and Murphy from **Fred Bissell** who hopes his son Fritz (6) will end up in Byfield.

Albie Booth moved from Boston one year ago and now works for Owens-Corning Fiberglas in Toledo, Ohio.

Peter Boynton is currently working for the Academy for Educational Development, a non-profit educational planning organization in Washington, DC.

A senior Computer System Analyst with New England Telephone in Manchester, NH, **John Canepa** has been working with the U.S. Army. John was married to Leslie Karnatz in 1972 and the Canepas now have a 3 year old daughter, Lena Grace.

'62

Tom Tobey writes that he has a Ph.D in counseling psychology from Stanford and that he is working as a school psychologist and health education instructor, and is doing research in the area of family relations. Tom and his wife, Karen, a part-time college counselor, have a daughter Rachel Christie (18 months), and are enjoying life in the sun — lots of golf, tennis and cycling. Tom recently saw **Jim Gordon** who is in the first year of the two-year MBA program at Stanford. Jim will work for Ernst & Ernst in Boston this summer.

'63

Bob Taylor is the Personnel Director of the Merchants Bank of Burlington, Vermont and has been a resident of Vermont for about six years.

After ten happy years with Chubb and Son, Inc., **Stewart Steffey** and family have moved to Farnington, Conn. Where Stewart is Vice President of the Bond De-

partment with Aetna Insurance Company.

'64

Tom Maier is living in Manhattan Beach, California and is the varsity football and basketball coach at Chadwick High School in Palos Verdes.

David and **Teri Pearsall** proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Jessalyn on February 7 in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. David is President of Shoreline Marine and looks forward to seeing any classmates that visit St. Thomas.

'65

Diedrich August has been named Vice President of Dudley-Anderson-Yutsy Public Relations, Inc., the nation's oldest public relations firm. He was the winner of the 1976 Silver Anvil Award by the Public Relations Society of America for his work on the Fort Ticonderoga Bicentennial celebration of America's first victory. Prior to joining the firm, Diedrich was a member of the faculty of the Eaglebrook School.

'66

Larry Lougee, a 1975 graduate of the University of Utah, received his Masters in education from Suffolk University in 1976. He is now teaching History at New Hampton School, New Hampshire, where he is coach of J.V. Basketball and Assistant Coach of the Varsity Lacrosse and Soccer teams. Larry is married to Martha (Kessler) of Olean, NY a 1972 graduate of Connecticut College, New London, Connecticut.

Robert Erickson writes that he has been working with chemically dependant patients at St. Mary's Hospital in Minneapolis on a part-time basis and is getting started in suburban real estate development.

After graduating from California Western Law School in 1974 and passing the California Bar, **Jack Howard** went to Las Vegas to be a Judicial Law Clerk for District Court Judge Tom O'Donnell. A Deputy Public Defender in Las Vegas for the last two years, Jack expects to go into private practice soon and invites all GDA alums to come and visit when out his way.

'67

John Davidson was married to Marcella Kate Schools on June 11, in Bedford, VA. The wedding party included classmate **Thomas G. Taylor**. John is currently employed by Norfolk Shipbuilding and Dry Dock, and his wife is employed by Planter's Peanuts, Suffolk.

The loyalty award this year goes to **Bill Haggerty** who registered in advance to attend Reunion Day on May 14 — the date of his wedding!

Congratulations to **Mr. and Mrs. Don Gay**, the proud parents of Donald Franklin Gay III, born April 2.

'68

Charlie Johnson, Jr. writes that his wife Chris received her BS/RN from the University of Rochester in May. He is currently building houses in Northwood, New Hampshire before resuming post-graduate studies in soil science at UNH.

"I took a big leap and moved to California last summer," writes **Bob Martin**. Hired in mid-August by Marin Suburban Newspapers in Terra Linda, Marin County, 20 miles north of San Francisco, Bob then sold advertising until January of '77 when he was transferred to the Ross Valley Reporter, San Anselmo. "Am now selling advertising, writing a column and doing both feature stories and photography. Free-lance writing is also picking up — have covered recent speeches by Timothy Leary, Bella Abzug, Maya Angelou, and

Ray Bradbury. Best to you all at GDA."

Carl Berntsen has moved to Larchmont, NY and is enjoying his "swank bachelor quarters." His new job as a carpet salesman is going well, and entering the importing business may be in his plans for the near future.

'69

Andy Costello and Michelle Marie Gagnon of Lowell were married on Sunday, June 5.

Greg Wellman received his Bachelor of Science in Textiles from Clemson University in 1974 and an MBA from the University of South Carolina in the fall of '75. He was married in 1974 to Melissa Ann Bosdell from Clemson, SC and is presently working for Wellman Industries as a schedule planner in the Textile-Wool Division.

"Staying alive in Vermont," writes **Phelps Holloway**, who at last word is working for S.A.C. Supply, Inc. in Burlington (industrial hardware). Free time is spent sailing on Lake Champlaine.

Mike Shay is working for Chase Manhattan Bank in New York while **Alby Nelthropp** continues to study law at the University of Puerto Rico. He took a course in International Law at Schiller College, Heidelberg, last summer, attended the Council of Europe in Strasbourg and finished four weeks of travel through Western Europe.

At last word, **Kirt Mingledorff** was preparing to take the state and national board exams in Optometry.

Sheldon Sacks writes that he is entering his fourth year at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine following graduation from Brandeis University with a BA in Biology. Marriage plans are being made for March of 1978 when Sheldon will marry Andrea Schulman of Cherry Hill, New Jersey. After graduation, a hospital residency program for one year is scheduled before practicing dentistry.

'70

Kim Staples is attending architectural school at Washington University.

'71

Dana Fisher informs the *Archon* that he has been working as a contractor, going to night school for bookkeeping and enjoying himself generally.

Gorty Baldwin and his wife are the proud parents of their first child Caren Lee, born March 3. Gorty continues to work for Perkins and Squier Co. in New York, makers of book publishing paper.

Scott Seaver completed a 12 week course (Sea Semester) which is sponsored by the Sea Education Association at Woods Hole with credits awarded by Boston University. The last 6 weeks of the course Scott spent on the 125 ft. staysail schooner R/V Westward, which sailed through the Virgin Islands and the Bahamas. Having received his B.S. in Business Administration from UNH this spring, Scott will be working for Edgartown Marine on Martha's Vineyard this summer.

Kenny Markin is a stock broker for Kidder Peabody.

Chip McClure was married in January and is contemplating business school when he leaves the Navy.

Mike Mulligan will be on the faculty at GDA next year teaching English and history and helping coach soccer, wrestling, and lacrosse.

Andy Nelson is a dealer and appraiser of fine antiques. His work has taken him to Europe and Washington while his office remains in Portland.

Jim Pinfold graduated from Hampshire College in January with a major in Sociology of the Arts and at last word, was trying to obtain a grant to study the origins of black music.

Warren Ross continues to enjoy his work as a waiter at Copley's and **Sam Tamposi** has become involved in real estate development in New Hampshire following his graduation from Dartmouth last year.

Following graduation from B.U. last September with a degree in U.S. History, **Gig Barton** spent two months in Tangiers visiting his brother who is an assistant headmaster of an American School over there. Gig is currently house painting and working out plans for next year.

John Clayman received his B.A. in Geography from Dartmouth this spring and will attend Harvard summer school before starting a 3 year MA in Marine Engineering and Naval Architecture at M.I.T. in the fall.

Willy Phippen and **Sandy L. Belock** were married on Sunday, June 19 at Hurdle Hill Farm in South Hamilton. **Barry Burlingham, Tucker and Ellis Withington, Steve Connelly, John Clayman, and Gig Barton** attended providing much encouragement and celebration.

'72

George Freimarck received his B.A. in History from Columbia in 1976. During his senior year he coached the Freshmen Lighweights and the Barnard Crew.

Mike Driscoll is studying music at the University of Bridgeport and working on the side. His career plans are to become a professional jazz guitarist.

'73

Larry Coles, Scott Arthur, and Buck O'Leary all graduated from Franklin and Marshall this spring. Larry served as a dorm counselor and member of the men's basketball team graduating with a major in business and religion. Scott majored in accounting, held membership in Chi Phi Fraternity and played on the soccer team.

Chris Caldwell graduated from the Massachusetts Maritime Academy in April as a 3rd Assistant Engineer. He received his commission in the Naval Reserve and is off to South Africa for three months on a Moore McCormick Liner.

Dorothy Cutlip writes that she is still in the Army but will be out in May. Her husband's new assignment will take them to Fort Campbell, Kentucky where Dorothy will hopefully resume studying.

Adolf Haffenreffer married Lisa Fletcher Balboni of Chestnut Hill on June 25. Dolf is currently owner of Haffenreffer Trucking, Inc. in Little Compton, RI where he and his wife will live.

Dave Metcalf graduated from Bucknell University on May 28, with a B.S. in Civil Engineering. He also received a commission as a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army and will spend the summer at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineering Officer Basic Course. Next October he leaves for a tour of duty in Germany.

George Brock is presently working with the Columbus Parcel Service in Dayton, Ohio and would enjoy hearing from friends and former classmates.

'74

Forrest Titcomb has been elected to Pi Tau Sigma, the National Honorary Mechanical Engineering Fraternity. He will be a senior at Worcester Polytech in the fall.

Woody Wallace has become involved in the restaurant business and is currently working his way through the University of Arizona.

Steve Bottomly took a year off from Rollins to be a golf pro and worked as an assistant to another GDA graduate, **Rick Jansen '67**, who manages the pro shop at the President Country Club in West Palm Beach. Steve returns to Rollins in the fall.

Colin Cross attended the University of Bath for his junior year and

will return to Bowdoin in the fall.

A sophomore majoring in English, **Bill Plante** was placed on the Deans List at Colby College. He also received the Solomon Gallert Short Story Prize for writing "August, 1923, in Beach City, Ohio."

'75

Dave Ingrassia will be a junior next year at Tufts with loose plans for law school following graduation.

Wendy Lougee joined Alpha Chi Omega Sorority this year and plans to be a junior economics major at UNH next fall.

The student body secretary for Bennett College, **Audrey Cesareo** also worked for a month assisting New York fashion designer Richard Assatly during winter term.

As a sophomore at Bowdoin, **Peter Richardson** writes that he is treasurer of the Deke House and a 1st semester Dean's List student. Interfraternity football went well but a broken wrist during a house hockey practice was a setback.

Lisa Johnson served as a teaching intern at Brookwood School as part of her course of study at Middlebury.

In Memoriam

Jarvis Lamson '07	June, 1977
Reginald Morrill '37	October 10, 1976
Carl Jonas '32	1976
Russell Simons '39	November 2, 1976
Richard N. Coffin '42	October, 1975
Frank Shaffer '52	May 6, 1977
James H. Bull '62	August 10, 1975



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The 1976-77 Governor Dummer Annual Fund has surpassed its record goal of \$120,000. With only hours remaining before the June 30 deadline and gifts still coming in, the total stood at \$121,576, and alumni participation exceeded 28%.

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A full, detailed report will appear in the fall issue of the *Archon*.

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